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Subject: RE: FOIA EPA-R4-2020-003851 Carey v. E. I. du Pont, No. 7:17-cv-189

Wait for R4. People should be able to get the journal article.

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Myriam,

As I read the request we have two pending things that may be responsive. As the R4 FOIA request has some age to it two new papers of ours have now come to light since that FOIA. Both are accepted and in galley proof stage now.

1) Kotlarz et al., 2020 that reports on the novel PFAS detected in the Wilmington, NC Residences serum. EHP accepted.

2) Galloway et al., 2020 ES&T accepted that reports on PFOA and GenX in the water and soil near the W. Virginia Chemours plant indicating air emissions are important contributors to regional contamination.

Not sure if this should be sent along. R4 would not have either of these yet in older responses.

Mark

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Hi Mark,

So you are aware of the discussion on the FOIA.

It seems that we already responded to a related FOIA and there are no additional documents on our end.

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This sounds good to me. Thanks.

From: Clausen, Rebecca <Clausen.Rebecca@epa.gov>
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Region 4 will handle this, would be my understanding.

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For my clarification, since we responded to the FEAT FOIA 2018-004509 on GenX from Arnold & Porter, then the current requester (Cohen Milstein Seller & Toll) can access that for relative documents they are seeking? Or will Region 4 access the Relativity workspace for 2018-004509 for the emails? Thanks.

From: Clausen, Rebecca <Clausen.Rebecca@epa.gov>
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Importance: High

Pam, Gail, Myriam,

This is the correspondence that I received from attorney Jennifer Pearce. Ninety-nine percent of any documents we usually have, have been exchanged by e-mail, and is therefore in Relativity. We already responded to EPA-HQ-2018-004509. Please take a look at the Revised FOIA Request PDF document. My assumption was that we would have no further documents, above and beyond what we already reviewed under 2018-004509.

Rebecca

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Hello All,

Region 4 has received a FOIA request from Jamie Bowers (Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC) regarding: (1) Phase I would include all documents responsive to the subpoena request and regarding GenX; and (2) Phase II would include all documents responsive to the subpoena requests and regarding the remaining PFAS listed in Exhibit A.

All notifications sent to the EPA by DuPont and/or Chemours concerning any human or animal health studies, environmental investigations, and/or environmental reports relating to GenX or other PFAS listed in Exhibit A.

All documents and data recording, reporting, detailing, or describing spills, air emissions, leaks, or wastewater discharges of GenX and/or other PFAS listed in Exhibit A from Fayetteville Works.

I recommended to Ms. Bowers to take a look at the responsive documents regarding the FOIA responded to recently by HQ (EPA-HQ-2018-004509). Ms. Bowers downloaded the documents, however, she revised her FOIA request (attached above). I am sending this FOIA to the offices that responded to the HQ FOIA (HQ-004509). The requestor does not want any Relativity emails. Please search for any electronic documents, such as, reports, letters, memoranda, etc. If you have anything available now that can be sent please feel free to send to me by email. If you have hard copy documents, of course, those documents will not be available until we are back in the office.

Region 3 – Requestor mentioned the letter below: If you have a copy of this letter electronically please feel free to send by email.

Region 3 - Rob Bilott is an attorney who litigated the *Tennant* case against DuPont concerning contamination of drinking water in West Virginia by the DuPont Washington Works plant. From the letter, it appears he sent it to both headquarters and EPA Region III.

Also, I have an extension. Again, if you have anything I can send to the requestor now it will be greatly appreciated.

Best and stay healthy,

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